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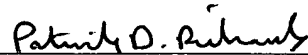
Applicant : BOULAND, JOHANNES M., et al.  
Appl. No. : 10/565711  
Filed : January 25, 2006  
Title : EXTENSION PART AND SWEEPER  
BODY FOR WEED MOWERS

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF  
MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Requirements dated July 5, 2006, submitted herewith are the following for filing in the above-referenced application:

1. Declaration and Power of Attorney (which is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63)
2. Late Filing Fee Surcharge of \$65.00.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-0206 in the amount of **\$65.00**. To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 13-0206 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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It is requested that the official filing receipt now be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**For FY 2006**☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 65

**Complete if Known**

Application Number	10/565,711
Filing Date	July 8, 2004 (Int'l Date)
First Named Inventor	Meint Johannes Bouland
Examiner Name	Not yet assigned
Art Unit	Not yet assigned
Attorney Docket No.	075449-0011000

**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply)☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_☒ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 13-0206 Deposit Account Name: McDermott Will & Emery LLP

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

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**FEE CALCULATION** (All the fees below are due upon filing or may be subject to a surcharge.)**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
- 20 or HP =	x	=		Fee (\$)

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	07/21/2006 GFREY1 00000061 130206 10565711
- 3 or HP =	x	=		01 FC:2617 65.00 DA

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Late Surcharge (\$65)

Fees Paid (\$)  
65**SUBMITTED BY**

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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.136. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 30 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO. 10/565,711	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT Ms. Sim Johannes Bouland	ATTY. DOCKET NO. 075449-0011
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP04/07629		
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/25/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/25/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/25/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/25/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/25/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/25/2006
- Specification filed on 01/25/2006
- Claims filed on 01/25/2006
- Abstracts filed on 01/25/2006
- Drawings filed on 01/25/2006

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 09/05/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
  - does not identify the citizenship of each inventor.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27,

must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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